

### OFFICE OF SPECIAL EVENTS

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# **Common's Ford Ranch House**

614 Commons Ford Road

This property is located in the Southwest district. Common's Ford features a ranch-style house of approximately, 2,500 square feet with an attached 4 car portico (roof and 3 sides). In addition, there are 2 comfortable patios overlooking a swimming pool and large grass area bounded by a ranch-style fence off the back patios. The house sits near the banks of Lake Austin. Limits and restrictions noted in this document are particular to this specific facility and in addition to the general use policy.

**The Space(s):** Ranch House (2500 square feet), Courtyard Patio (810 square feet), Pool Patio (560 square feet).

Amenities: BUILDING: The UNFURNISHED house features 3 raised wooden floor rooms, 1 bonus room (for changing, etc.), open style open raised hardwood floor area, 4 restrooms with showers, and a complete kitchen (restricted to heating/warming food – may NOT be used for cooking) (household sized refrigerator, dishwasher, 6 burner electric stove, 1 electric oven, 1 large former pantry area (additional double sink and counter space) and hot & cold NON-POTABLE water. The house is air conditioned. EQUIPMENT: There are approximately 25 rectangular shaped 6' long banquet tables, 10 5'-round tables and 200 chairs available for use. All table, chair and other amenity needs beyond what is available are the responsibility of the event organizer. The ranch house is not reservable when the picnic area is booked.

**Capacity**: House - 50 persons, House and Patios - 150 persons.

**Hours** available for reservation: 10 am - 10 pm (including set up, take down and user clean up of site)

PACKAGES AVAILABLE (The time you request and book includes the total time allowed on site for: set up, take down, and clean up.)				
	Rental Fee	Damage Deposit (all rentals)	Maintenance Fee (all rentals)	Package Total
Austin resident,	\$600	\$300	\$ 150	\$1050
or Austin Energy	7 hour rental period.			
utility customers	\$800	\$300	\$ 150	\$1250
	All day rental.			
Non-resident	\$900	\$300	\$ 150	\$1350
fees, or	7 hour rental period.			
for commercial	\$1200	\$300	\$ 150	\$1650
activities/events	All day rental.			

For those who need extra time on site, additional hours may be purchased on <u>7 hour rental</u> <u>pacakges</u> at <u>\$75/hour</u> with a 2 hour maximum. Additional hours may NOT be purchased to extend rental time beyond approved site hours and curfew.



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**Amplified Sound** is allowed at this property. <u>Special Sound Restrictions: Sound permits are</u> <u>restricted until 9 p.m ONLY.</u> All amplified sound (bands, DJ's, etc.) may not setup inside of the house.

**Permits:** Commercial or Advertising Purposes (\$30), Private Party (\$20), Public Interest, Political or Non-Profit (\$10)

<u>PERMITS</u> are required in advance and must be requested at the time of payment. Issued permitsare restricted to <u>85 decibels or lower</u>. We encourage courtesy and respect for adjacent neighborhoods at all times in addition to complying with the LEGAL decibel level limit.

## **Restrictions and Prohibited Items:**

- Nails, tacks, and staples/staple guns may not be used on any surface.
- To affix decorative or other items, you should ONLY use items such a velcro, zip ties, or high quality non-maring (marking) tape.
- Duct, masking, packaging, and scotch style tapes are NOT ALLOWED.
- Glass and Styrofoam are prohibited.
- Pets are NOT allowed on property.

- Recreation activities may not involve food (ex. relay games).
- Smoking is PROHIBITED by City Ordinance in all buildings.
- Swimming at this facility is "at your own risk

**Alcoholic Beverages:** Alcohol is allowed on site. Beer kegs, margarita machines and the like may ONLY be placed outside on the patio or grounds.

Where alcohol is <u>sold</u>, <u>or served as part of a fee</u>, <u>ticket</u>, <u>or donation for admission</u>, a Temporary Permit is required from the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, and liquor liability insurance naming the City of Austin as additional insured is required. See our policies for additional information. **Permit fee:** \$30 PARD processing fee.

Clean Up Requirements: The renter is responsible for all set up and clean up duties on site, and for returning the property to the way it was found <u>BEFORE</u> THE END OF THE RESERVATION PERIOD. Remove all decorations and personal items brought on site (this includes decorations and all WAX!). Pick up litter from property (don't forget parking areas and bathrooms), bag, and place it in appropriate areas/trash containers. If they have lids, close them. If necessary, sweep and mop. If there are wood floors, DO NOT MOP THEM - sweep and/or DRY mop floors to remove sand and debris. Break down and return any chairs and tables to their original location in a orderly fashion. Wipe surfaces, and wipe and clean any kitchen appliances. Empty the refrigerator. Cleaning equipment is available on site. Common sense cleaning practices are the best way to a full refund of your damage deposit! Allow plenty of time to thoroughly clean up after your event, which must be completed before the end of your reservation time/period.



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**Restrooms:** 4 residential-style individual indoor restrooms each with a toilet, sink and shower are available.

**Electricity Available:** Household style electrical outlets are available on site and in limited capacity on the patios. Appropriate gauge cords should be used according to the device/appliance/item manufacturer guidelines used on site.

**Water Available:** Yes, NON-POTABLE (non-drinkable/consumeable water). The pool water is chlorinated but not suitable for drinking.

**Parking:** Parking is available along the entry road to the house. Users are encouraged to have their guests carpool. All parking is on a first-come first served basis. **Parking Fee:** There IS NOT a fee for parking.

**Accessibility:** Ranch House front entrance is ADA accessible to the restroom by temporary ramps. The remainder of the building and restrooms are not ADA accessible.

**Driving Directions:** Take FM 2244 west through Bee Caves, and to and through Loop 360. Travel approximately 3.4 miles past Loop 360. Turn right at the light onto Cuernavaca Drive. Travel 1/2 mile, and turn left onto Commons Ford Road. Travel 1.5 miles to the park entrance on your left.

<u>Complete Reservation Information, and Policies and Procedures Are Available Online.</u> Go to www.cityofaustin.org, click on "departments", then "parks", then "rentals and services".